SECTION 23A. ABSENTEE BALLOT.

ANY OTHERWISE QUALIFIED VOTER REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THE ELECTIONS OF THE CITY IS ENTITLED TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT. THE PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 33, SECTIONS 27-1, 27-2 AND 27-4 THROUGH 27-11 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AS SUPPLEMENTED) ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED HEREIN AS AND FOR PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS CONCERNING ABSENTEE BALLOT IN CITY ELECTIONS, WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT THOSE TERMS REFERRING TO "BALTIMORE CITY" OR "COUNTY" OR "STATE" OR AGENCY, BOARD OR DEPARTMENT THEREOF, SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO REFER TO THE CITY OF LAUREL OR ITS CORRESPONDING AGENCY, BOARD OR DEPARTMENT, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the date of the adoption of the Resolution is the 26th day of November, 1973, and that the Amendment to the Charter of the City of Laurel, hereby proposed by this enactment, shall be and become effective on the 16th day of January, 1974, and a copy of the title of this Resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Laurel not less than four times at weekly intervals before the 3rd day of January, 1974.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become effective, either as herein provided or following a referendum, the Mayor of the City of Laurel shall send separately by registered mail, to the Secretary of the State of Maryland, to the Department of Legislative Reference, Hall of Records Commission and State Library, the following information concerning the Charter Amendment:

- 1. The complete text of this Resolution;
- The date of the referendum election, if any, held with respect thereto;
- 3. The number of votes cast for and against the question contained in the Charter Amendment, whether by the Council of the City of Laurel or in a referendum: and
- 4. The effective date of the Charter amendment.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Laurel, be and he is specifically enjoined and instructed to carry out the provisions of the above sections and as evidence of compliance herewith, the said Mayor shall cause to be affixed to the Minutes of this meeting:

1. An appropriate certificate of publication of